



IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. **(Currently Amended)** A stabilizer for vehicles, comprising:
a torsion portion extending in a width direction of a vehicle;
arm portions extending in a forward or backward direction from opposite end portions of the torsion portion;
straight portions provided proximate to the opposite end portions of the torsion portion, the straight portions extending along an axial direction thereof;
end portions of the arm portions,
the end portions of the arm portions being mounted to the vehicle, and the straight portions being mounted to the vehicle via bushes; and
a stopper provided to and holding one of the bushes on one of the straight portions, the stopper preventing said one of the straight portions from moving more than a predetermined distance in the axial direction with respect to said one of the bushes, which is provided to one of the straight portions, wherein
another one of the bushes is ~~slidably~~ provided to another of the straight portions along the axial direction, wherein said another one of the bushes is provided to said another of the straight portions free from being held by any stopper.
2. **(Currently Amended)** The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 1, wherein the stopper is provided to opposite sides of said one of the bushes.
3. **(Previously Presented)** The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 2, wherein the stopper has a ring-shaped portion.

4. **(Withdrawn)** A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 3, wherein a notch allowing the stopper to pass through the leading end portion of the arm portion is formed in the inside of the ring-shaped portion.

5. **(Currently Amended)** The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 2, wherein the stopper has a C-shaped portion and is caulked around said one of the straight portions.

6. **(Currently Amended)** The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 2, wherein the stopper has a U-shaped portion and is fit to said one of the straight portions.

7. **(Withdrawn – Currently Amended)** A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 2, wherein the stopper is made of rubber and is fastened by a clamber to be fixed around said one of the straight portions portion.

8. **(Withdrawn – Currently Amended)** A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 1, wherein the stopper is provided in the inside of said one of the bushes.

9. **(Withdrawn – Currently Amended)** A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 8, wherein a hollow portion having inner walls at both side ends thereof is formed in said one of the bushes bush and the stopper is held by the inner walls.

10. **(Currently Amended)** A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles, the stabilizer including:

a torsion portion extending in a width direction of a vehicle;

arm portions extending in a forward or backward direction from opposite end portions of the torsion portion;

straight portions provided proximate to opposite end portions of the torsion portion, the straight portions extending along an axial direction thereof;

end portions of the arm portions; and

the end portions of the arm portions being mounted to the vehicle, and the straight portions being mounted to the vehicle via bushes,

the method comprising the steps of:

fixing a stopper to one of the straight portions, the stopper preventing said one of the straight portions from moving more than a predetermined distance in the axial direction with respect to one of the bushes which is provided to said one of the straight portions, wherein the stopper holds said one of the bushes on said one of the straight portions;

providing another one of the bushes slidably to another of the straight portions along the axial direction, wherein said another one of the bushes is provided to said another of the straight portions free from being held by any stopper;

mounting said one of the straight portions, which is proximate to the stopper, to the vehicle via said one of the bushes; and

mounting said another of the straight portions to the vehicle via said another of the bushes.

11. **(Currently Amended)** The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 10, wherein the stopper is provided to opposite sides of said one of the bushes.

12. **(Previously Presented)** The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper has a ring-shaped portion.

13. **(Withdrawn)** A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 12, wherein a notch allowing the stopper to pass through the leading end portion of the arm portion is formed in the inside of the ring-shaped portion.

14. **(Currently Amended)** The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper has a C-shaped portion and is caulked around said one of the straight portions.

15. **(Currently Amended)** The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper has a U-shaped portion and is fit to said one of the straight portions.

16. **(Withdrawn - Currently Amended)** A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper is made of rubber and is fastened by a clasper to be fixed around said one of the straight portions ~~portion~~.

17. **(Withdrawn – Currently Amended)** A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 10, wherein the stopper is provided in the inside of said one of the bushes.

18. **(Withdrawn – Currently Amended)** A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 17, wherein a hollow portion having inner walls at both side ends thereof is formed in said one of the bushes ~~bush~~ and the stopper is held by the inner walls.